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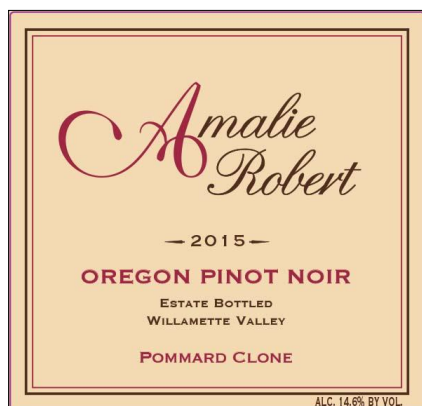
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## 2015 POMMARD CLONE PINOT NOIR



POMMARD CLONE IS A BARREL SELECTION OF OUR MOST INTRIGUING ESTATE GROWN POMMARD CLONE.

THE PIONEERS WHO BEGAN PLANTING PINOT NOIR IN THE NORTH WILLAMETTE VALLEY BEGAN PRIMARILY WITH 2 CLONES OF PINOT NOIR – POMMARD (FRENCH, OF COURSE) AND WADENSWIL (SWISS.) AS THE VINES MATURED, HIGH QUALITY WINES FROM BOTH CLONES WERE GROWN IN THE VALLEY, BUT THE POMMARD CLONE WAS GAINING WIDESPREAD ACCLAIM AND NOTORIETY.

THERE IS A VERY GOOD REASON THE POMMARD CLONE WAS CATCHING ON. THE POMMARD CLONE REPRESENTS ALL THAT IS INHERENTLY BEAUTIFUL IN PINOT NOIR. IT IS

GROWN ON ALL TYPES OF SOILS AND IS UNIQUE IN ITS ABILITY TO REFLECT VINEYARD SPECIFIC SPLendor, NUANCES AND VINTAGE. WHILE THE EYES ARE THE WINDOW INTO THE SOUL, THE POMMARD CLONE EXPRESSES THE INHERENT BEAUTY OF OUR SITE THROUGH THE LENS OF THE VINTAGE.

TASTING NOTES: POMMARD RED. MONTMORENCY CHERRY, RED RASPBERRIES, RED CURRANTS, SANDALWOOD, TILLED EARTH AND TAMARIND ALLURE TO A FULLY EXPRESSIVE PALATE INTERLEAVED WITH DEEP RED FRUITS, REFINED WHOLE CLUSTER STEM TANNINS AND VIVACIOUS ACIDITY. ELEGANTLY POISED AND NO ROUGH EDGES TO SPEAK OF, SHE'S THAT KINDA GIRL. UNFINED AND UNFILTERED.

AMALIE ROBERT ESTATE WAS FOUNDED BY DENA DREWS AND ERNIE PINK IN 1999. DENA AND ERNIE LEFT THE CORPORATE WORLD BEHIND AND BEGAN A JOURNEY TO GROW PINOT NOIR IN THE LAST BEST PLACE ON EARTH.

<b>vinous</b>	94 pts
<b>Amalie Robert Estate 2015 Pinot Noir Pommard Clone</b>	
Willamette Valley, Oregon Red wine from United States	
Drinking window: 2023 - 2032	
<small>Translucent red. Pungent red and dark fruit liqueur, candied rose, star anise and woods smoke aromas show sharp delineation and a hint of licorice. Palate-staining, impressively concentrated blackberry, cherry and spice cake flavors open up steadily through the mid-palate, picking up smoky minerals, cola nuances and showing a suave, supple texture. Rich and broad, in the style of this hot vintage, but there's plenty of energy here as well. Finishes with powerful, floral-dominated thrust and velvety tannins that fold smoothly into the wine's plush fruit. I suspect that this wine will experience a long aging curve based on its depth of fruit. (raised in a 50/50 combination of once-used and neutral French oak barrels)</small>	
Josh Reynolds. Tasting date: April 2019	
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"...FOR FANS OF THE DELICATE, GRACEFUL SCHOOL OF PINOT NOIR, WHICH IS DECIDEDLY THE STYLE THAT'S EMPHASIZED HERE. A WIDE RANGE OF WINES, ALMOST ENTIRELY PINOT NOIR, ARE MADE FROM THE 35 ACRES OF ESTATE VINES, AND DREWS AND PINK AREN'T AFRAID TO HOLD THEM BACK FOR LATE OR SUCCESSIVE RELEASES DEPENDING ON THE PERSONALITY OF EACH INDIVIDUAL BOTTLING. IN WARM VINTAGES THE EFFECTS OF THE WEATHER EXPRESS THEMSELVES ON THE WINES HERE, BUT RARELY DO THEY HEAD INTO DARK FRUIT TERRITORY..."

- JOSH REYNOLDS, VINOUS, DECEMBER 2016